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**TOBACCO & VAPOR PRODUCT USE** 

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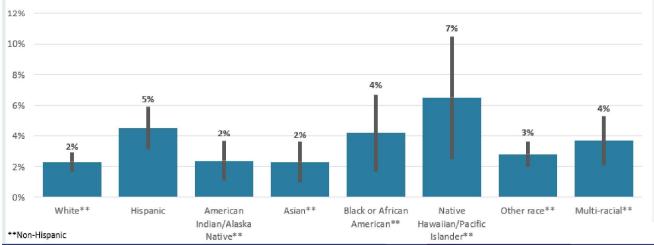
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#### Current (past 30-day) use trends, grade 6



### Statewide current [past 30-day] vapor product use and race/ethnicity, grade 6



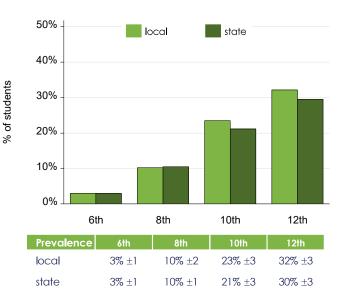
Among 6th grade students, vaping varies by race and ethnicity. The highest rates of vaping are reported among Non-Hispanic Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islanders and Hispanics students. However, rates for some of these race/ethnicity sub-groups can vary widely.

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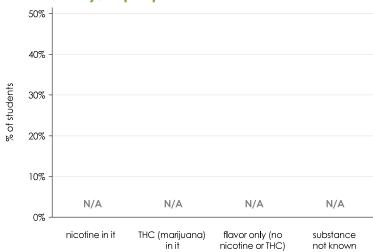
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- Vapor products are the most common nicotine product used by youth.
- Youth and young adults under age 18 are far more likely to start tobacco use than adults: 4 out of 5 smokers started during adolescence. According to the U.S. Surgeon General, there is a strong association between the use of e-cigarettes, cigarettes, and the use of other burned tobacco products by young people.
- The minimum age of purchase for tobacco and vapor products is 18, but youth can get these products from their older friends and classmates.
- In 2016, Washington State passed a Vapor Products law, establishing a statewide licensing system and important protections to reduce illegal youth access to vapor products. This law applies to any vapor product, whether or not it contains nicotine.

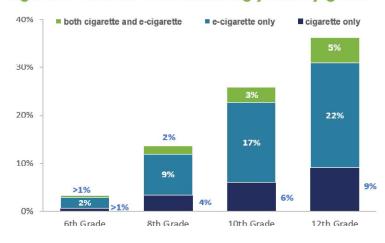


### Reported substance "vaped" among current (30-day) vapor product users, Grade 6

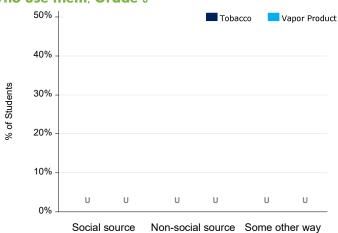


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### Statewide prevalence of past 30 day e-cigarette, cigarette and use of both among youth by grade



### Source of tobacco and vapor products among those who use them, Grade 6



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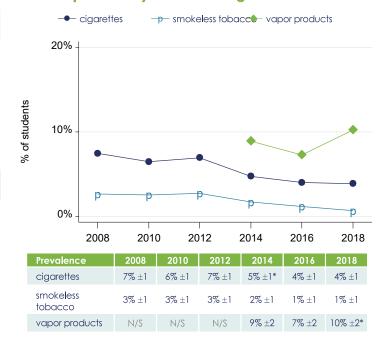
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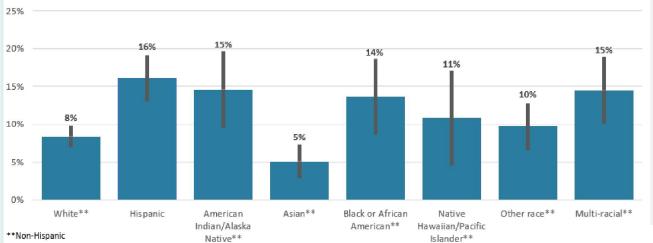
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- 104,000 Washington youth alive today will ultimately die prematurely from smoking.
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#### Current (past 30-day) use trends, grade 8



### Statewide current [past 30-day] vapor product use and race/ethnicity, grade 8



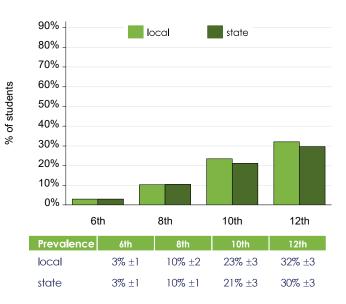
Among 8th grade students, vaping varies by race and ethnicity. The highest rate of vaping is reported among Hispanics and the lowest is among Non-Hispanic Asian students. However, rates for some of these race/ethnicity sub-groups can vary widely.

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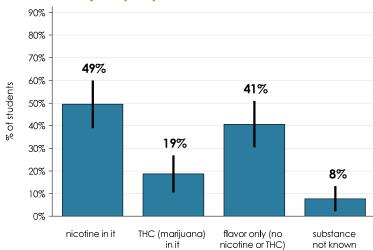
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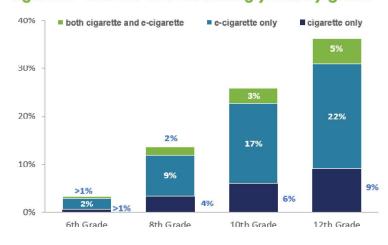


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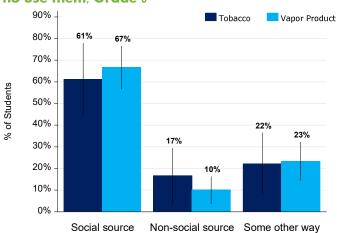


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### Source of tobacco and vapor products among those who use them, Grade 8



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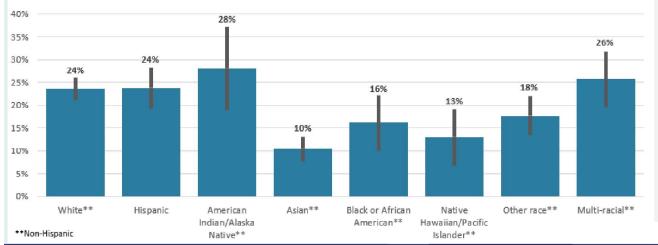
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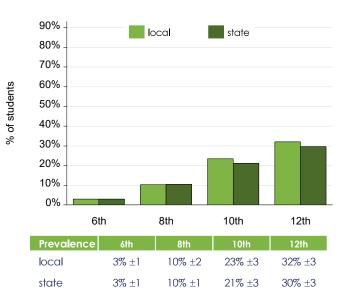
Among 10th grade students, vaping varies by race and ethnicity. The highest rate of vaping is reported among Non-Hispanic American Indian/Alaska Native and the lowest is among Non-Hispanic Asian students. However, rates for some of these race/ethnicity sub-groups can vary widely.

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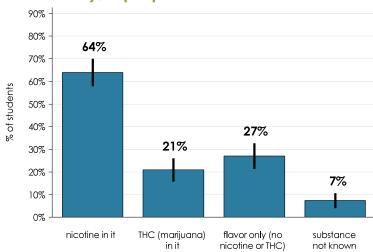
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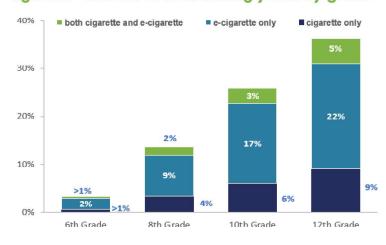


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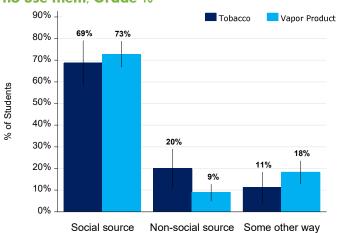


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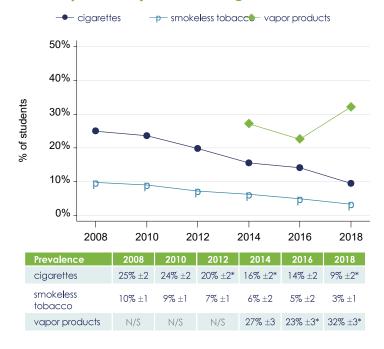
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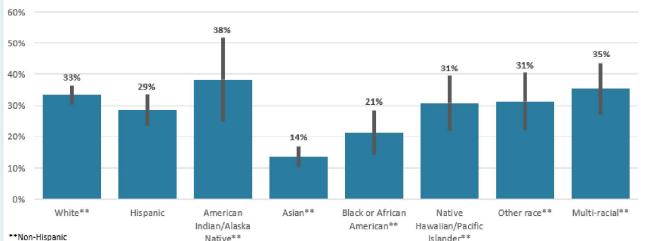
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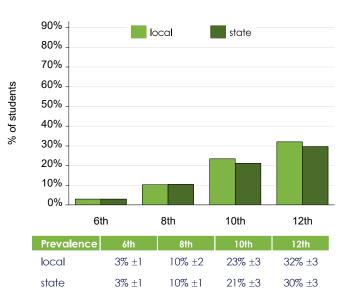
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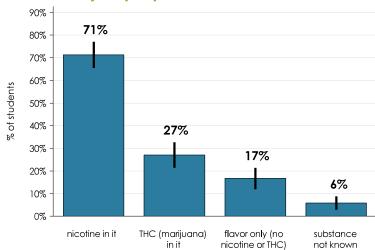
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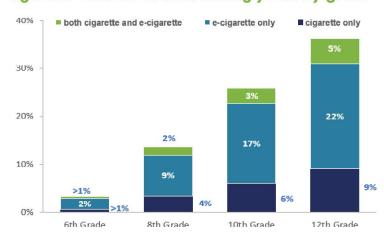


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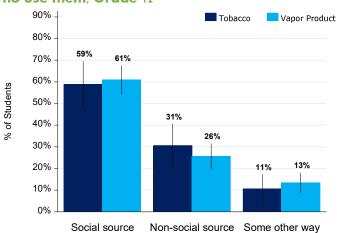


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